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Official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

10:00 — 93rd plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

[webcast]

1. Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: draft resolution A/70/L.43 [items 15 and 116]

2. Report of the Peacebuilding Commission (A/70/714) [item 31]

   Report of the Secretary-General on the Peacebuilding Fund (A/70/715) [item 110]

   Joint debate

3. Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization for Migration: draft resolution A/70/L.46 [item 175]

Security Council

10:00 — 7680th meeting — Security Council Chamber

[webcast]

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Post-conflict peacebuilding

Morning (following the adjournment of the 7680th meeting) — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei (UNISFA) (S/2016/353)

Other matters

15:00 — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO) (S/2016/355)

Other matters

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General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

Committee on Information
Thirty-eighth session

10:00 to 13:00	2nd meeting	Conference Room 4
15:00 to 18:00	3rd meeting	Conference Room 4
	General debate [item 6] (*continued*)	

[The thirty-eighth session of the Committee on Information is being served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Committee will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages. Delegations and participants on the list of speakers are requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart3@un.org, *as soon as available*, and at least *one hour* in advance of their designated speaking slot and the email subject should include the entity name, meeting name and related agenda item. PDF format is preferred.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide 30 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which it will be available to the public on the Portal.]

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

Working Group

Briefing

10:00 to 12:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The objective of the briefing is to raise the awareness on the situation of detained children in the occupied Palestinian territory, ahead of the next meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

[Invited speakers will be Ms. Sahar Francis, Director of Addameer Prisoner Support and Human Rights Association, and Mr. Khaled Quzmar, General Director of Defense for Children International-Palestine. Ms. Sarah Leah Whitson, Executive Director of Human Rights Watch's Middle East and North Africa Division, will be the moderator.]

United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)

Open-ended informal consultative meetings

10:00 to 13:00	5th meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 3
10:00 to 11:30	Panel discussion on "Urban economic development strategies"	
	Interactive discussion	

11:30 to 13:00	Panel discussion on "Urban services and technologies" *Interactive discussion*	
15:00 to 18:00	6th meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 3
15:00 to 16:15	Panel discussion on "Urban ecology and resilience" *Interactive discussion*	
16:15 to 17:30	Panel discussion on "Sustainable energy" *Interactive discussion*	
17:30 to 18:00	Wrap-up of the discussion on "Transformative commitments for a sustainable urban development"	

[Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/210 of 22 December 2015, the Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference circulated a letter to all Permanent Missions, dated 4 April 2016, containing the proposed programme for the informal consultative meetings. As this meeting is an informal one, no formal list of speakers will be maintained or opened for pre-inscription. Members of permanent missions, United Nations staff, and representatives of intergovernmental organizations and major groups are invited to attend. The programme and detailed supporting concept notes can be consulted on the Conference website (please *click here*).

Delegations are invited to e-mail their statements to papersmart4@un.org for posting on the portal. Statements should be provided *at least one hour* prior to the scheduled speaking slot and the email subject should include the entity name and meeting name. PDF format is preferred.]

Economic and Social Council Council

United Nations Forum on Forests
Twelfth session

Open-ended intergovernmental ad hoc expert group established pursuant to paragraph 48 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2015/33

10:00 to 13:00	Tasks of the expert group [item 4]	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00		Conference Room 2

1. Tasks of the expert group [item 4]
2. Other matters [item 5]
3. Adoption of the report of the expert group on its first meeting [item 6]

[Background information, including the provisional agenda, note by the Secretariat and organization of work are available on the United Nations Forum on Forests website (*click here*). For further information, please contact the United Nations Forum on Forests Secretariat (e-mail unff@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3401).]

Other meetings

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Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

09:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room B

Briefing on the forthcoming fifteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (9-20 May 2016) (organized by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues)

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 5

The meeting is open to members of permanent missions only. To register, please contact Ms. Nataliia Grushevska, Permanent Forum on Indigenous (e-mail grushevska@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4618).

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Thursday, 28 April 2016

10:00 Conference Room 11

Informal informal consultations on all issues relating to the Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020

10:00 and 15:00

Conference Room 12

Informal consultations on the zero draft of the political declaration, as part of the preparatory process for the High-level meeting on HIV/AIDS

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 18 April 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

13:15 to 14:30

Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal meeting of the General Assembly to hear a briefing by the Office of the President of the General Assembly on the general preparations for the High-level Thematic Debate on United Nations, Peace and Security

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 April 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

15:00

Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal meeting of the General Assembly on the follow-up and review framework of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at the global level

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 April 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

High-level Conversation on Religions for Peace

Friday, 6 May 2016

The President of the General Assembly will convene a High-level Conversation on Religions for Peace on Friday, 6 May 2016. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 5 April 2016, enclosing a brief concept note and programme of the event, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary segment are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063); copy to Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org)). In light of time constraints, the length of statements should not exceed *five minutes*. The list of speakers will be maintained in accordance with customary protocol.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Informal interactive dialogue

Monday, 2 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 1

Informal interactive dialogue on "Overall policy matters pertaining to special political missions – Regional offices", pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/92, organized by the Department of Political Affairs (DPA), in collaboration with the bureau of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Fifth Committee
Second part of the resumed session

Monday, 2 May 2016

10:00 Conference Room 3

The status of preparedness of documentation has been issued in document A/C.5/70/L.33.

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the status of documentation, as well as the tentative and provisional programme of work, will be available on the website of the Committee (www.un.org/en/ga/fifth/).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit any change or update to their official list of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers by sending a note verbale from their Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York and/or completing form A/INF/70/2 and sending it to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects
Informal open meeting

Friday, 6 May 2016

10:00 Conference Room 12

15:00 Conference Room 12

Informal open meeting to consider lessons learned from the first cycle of the Regular Process and the way forward towards implementation of the second cycle, in advance of the upcoming seventh meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole, to take place at Headquarters from Wednesday, 3, to Tuesday, 9 August 2016

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-sixth session

Monday, 6, to Friday, 24 June 2016

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information. The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 20 May 2016*.

For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; Room FF-700 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943); or by e-mail to contributions@un.org.

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Tenth session

Liberia configuration

Monday, 2 May 2016

10:00 Informal meeting Conference Room 7

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

Monday, 20, to Wednesday, 22 June 2016 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), as set forth in paragraph 3 of resolution 1977 (2011), is currently conducting a Comprehensive Review on the status of the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). In this connection, the Chair of the 1540 Committee, His Excellency Román Oyarzun Marchesi, Permanent Representative of Spain, will convene formal open consultations of the Committee with Member States, relevant international and regional organizations, and appropriate sectors of civil society. Additional information will be provided in the near future.

Economic and Social Council
2016 session

Integration segment

Monday, 2, to Wednesday, 4 May 2016 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The integration segment (agenda item 8) will be chaired by the Vice-President of the Council (Estonia). Pursuant to Council decision 2016/206, the theme for the segment is "Implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development through policy innovation and integration". The segment will include interactive panel discussions and dialogues. Additional information, including the draft programme and related side events is available on the website of the Council (*click here*) or contact Ms. Filipa Correia, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail correiaf@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8969).

The *general discussion of the segment* will be held on Monday, 2 May 2016, from 16:30 to 18:00, and on Wednesday, 4 May, from 12:00 to 13:00. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org; Room S-1271)). *Inscriptions to the list of speakers will close by 17:00 of the preceding day.* The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for individual delegations.

For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of their representatives and alternates attending the segment to the Secretary of the Council (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org; Room S-1271; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are further advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the end of the 2016 session of the Council.

PaperSmart arrangement is available for the duration of the 2016 session of the Council. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal of the Council should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date and topic of the meeting should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available in the PaperSmart portal after their delivery by delegations. To access the PaperSmart portal of the Council, please *click here*.

Special meeting on the impacts of the 2015/16 El Niño phenomenon: Reducing risks and capturing opportunities

Friday, 6 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/110, the President of the Economic and Social Council (Republic of Korea) will convene the special meeting as an opportunity to discuss the socio-economic and environmental impacts of the 2015/16 El Niño phenomenon.

All are invited to attend. The concept note and programme are available on the website of the Council (*click here*). For further information, please contact Ms. Sibel Selcuk, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail selcuk@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5019).

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
Informal consultations

Wednesday, 4, and Thursday, 5 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 8

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 8

Informal consultations to discuss new applications

All members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to attend. Participation in the informal consultations is open to members of the Committee only.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Fifteenth session

Monday, 9, to Friday, 20 May 2016 Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/C.19/2016/1, and the proposed organization of work is contained in document E/C.19/2016/L.1. Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to send observers to the session are requested to communicate the

composition of their delegations, in advance of the session, to the Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Only those observers who indicate their participation by *today, 27 April 2016,* will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the Conference Room 4 on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis. For background and other related documents of the fifteenth session of the Forum, please visit the following Web site: www.un.org/indigenous. The fifteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will be served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Forum will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages.

There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal. Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

The list of speakers *is open*. Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the secretariat (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Annual session 2016

Monday, 6, and Tuesday, 7 June 2016 — Conference Room 1

Wednesday, 8, to 10 June 2016 — Economic and Social Council Chamber

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in ocument DP/2016/L.2. Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website.

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list, to Ms. Henrietta Bledman (e-mail henrietta.bledman@undp.org) for UNDP and UNOPS, and to Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org for UNFPA, *as early as possible*, but *no later than* Monday, 23 May 2016.

The annual session 2016 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the officinl documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission.

Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal. Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart Secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), *at least two hours in advance* of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *15 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

Pre-session informal consultation

Friday, 20 May 2016

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 2

Joint meeting of the Boards

Friday, 3 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

Forthcoming conferences at Headquarters

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of States Parties
Ninth session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary *quorum* for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are *163* States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is *109* States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

The *election* to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information).

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the Secretariat via e-mail to zhangg@un.org, with the original copy sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Room S-2905).

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the *accessibility requirements* of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For *further information* concerning the Conference of States Parties, please contact the secretariat via e-mail (zhangg@un.org and enable@un.org) or visit UN Enable website (www.un.org/disabilities).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group

Thursday, 28 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room B

Eastern European Group (at the expert level) (monthly meeting)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room A

Event entitled "Education for Global Citizenship: Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals Together — Youth as Agents of Change" (organized by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in collaboration with the Youth Subcommittee to the sixty-sixth DPI/NGO Conference)

Thursday, 28 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, DPI (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).

Event entitled "Defending Religious Freedom and Other Human Rights: Stopping Mass Atrocities against Christians and Other Believers" (organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, in collaboration with CitizensGo, Más Libres and In Defense of Christians)

Thursday, 28 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For more information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (e-mail office@holyseemission.org; tel. 1 (212) 370-7885).

Meeting on "Protecting Cultural Heritage – An Imperative for Humanity: Acting Together against the Destruction and Trafficking of Cultural Property by Terrorist Groups and Organized Crime" (at the expert level) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy and Jordan, INTERPOL, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Thursday, 28 April 2016

10:00 to 12:30 Conference Room 6

For further information, please contact Mr. Luigi Marini, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail luigi.marini@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5336).

Arab Group (Second Committee experts)

Thursday, 28 April 2016

12:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Special event on the occasion of the World Day for Safety and Health at Work (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany, the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the World Health Organization (WHO))

Thursday, 28 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Jessica Pak, ILO (e-mail pak@ilo.org; tel. 1 (212) 697-0150).

Event entitled "Making More Space – Civil Society in the Multilateral Context" (organnized by the Delegation of the European Union)

Thursday, 28 April 2016

15:00 to 16:30 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Thea Restovin, Delegation of the European Union (e-mail thea.restovin@eeas.europa.eu tel. 1 (212) 292-8655).

Event entitled "From Vulnerability to Resilience: Using Psychology to Address the Global Migration Crisis" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of El Salvador and the Palau)

Thursday, 28 April 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ana Leticia Artiga Mirando, Permanent Mission of El Salvador (e-mail aartiga@rree.gob.sv; tel. 1 (212) 679-1616).

Opening of the photo exhibit "Kazakhstan: Building a Nuclear Safe World" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Kazakhstan)

Thursday, 28 April 2016

17:30 Vienna Café area (General Assembly Building)

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Alma Konurbayeva, Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan (e-mail alma.konurbayeva@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 230-1900, ext. 329).

Briefing series on the Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review of the General Assembly (co-organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

Friday, 29 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room S-0310

For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Event entitled "The Roles of Women in Preventing and Responding to Terrorism and Violent Extremism: Advancing Integrated Approaches" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Lithuania and the Global Center on Cooperative Security)

Friday, 29 April 2016

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Laima Birstunaite, Permanent Mission of Lithuania (e-mail laima.birstunaite@mfa.lt); or Ms. Rafia Bhulai, (e-mail rbhulai@globalcenter.org); or *click here*.

Event entitled "Urban Law Day" (co-organized by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) and the Fordham Urban Law Center)

Friday, 29 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Robert Lewis-Lettington, UN-Habitat (e-mail habitatny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4200).

Panel discussion on "Women of African Descent at the Intersection of Race and Gender" (on the occasion of the International Decade for People of African Descent) (organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), in collaboration with the Department of Public Information (DPI) and Black Women's Blueprint, with the support of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Friday, 29 April 2016

11:00 to 12:30 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kellie Ognimba, OHCHR New York Office (e-mail ognimba@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5348). To register, please *click here*.

African Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Friday, 29 April 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Monday, 2 May 2016

10:00 to 12:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Event entitled "Voices of Victims of Human Trafficking: Readings from *River of Flesh and Other Stories*" (co-organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and Apne Aap Women Worldwide)

Tuesday, 3 May 2016

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact the UNODC New York Office (e-mail unodcny@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 963-5635).

International Criminal Court: Working Group on the Amendments of the Assembly

Tuesday, 3 May 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

Event entitled "Poster for Peace Congratulatory Ceremony" (organized by the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA))

Tuesday 3 May 2016

18:00 to 18:45 Disarmament Section, General Assembly Building (Third floor)

All are invited. For further information, please contact UNODA (e-mail unoda-web@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3596); or *click here*.

Event entitled "Access to Information and Fundamental Freedoms: This Is Your Right!" (on the occasion of the World Press Freedom Day (3 May) (organized by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in collaboration with the United Nations Educational and Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO))

Thursday, 5 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 4

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, DPI (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

General Assembly

International Law Commission
Sixty-eighth session
(2 May-10 June and 4 July-12 August 2016)

The sixty-eighth session of the International Law Commission will be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva from Monday, 2 May, to Friday, 10 June, and from Monday, 4 July, to Friday, 12 August 2016. The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document A/CN.4/688. More information on the session, including documentation, is available on the website of the Commission (*click here*).

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Science and Technology for Development
Nineteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva (9-13 May 2016)

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2015/246 of 22 July 2015, the nineteenth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development will be held from Monday, 9, to Friday, 13, May 2016 in Conference Room XVIII, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva.

The annotated provisional agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/CN.16/2016/1.

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to attend, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to Mr. Angel Gonzalez-Sans, Chief, Science, Technology and ICT Branch (e-mail angel.gonzalez-sanz@unctad.org; tel. 011-41-22-917-5508; fax 01141-22-917-0052), and Ms. Dong Wu, Chief, Science and Technology Section, UNCTAD (e-mail dong.wu@unctad.org; tel. 011-41-22-917-4171; fax 01141-22-917-0052).

In preparation for the session, delegations are invited to review the documentation and other background information by *clicking here*.

Inquiries on the nineteenth session of the Commission can also be directed to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (e-mail gustafik@un.org).

Announcements

World Humanitarian Summit
Istanbul, Turkey (23-24 May 2016)

The Secretary-General will convene the first World Humanitarian Summit from Monday, 23 to Tuesday, 24 May 2016, in Istanbul, Turkey. For more information on the Summit, please *click here*. Representatives of Member States and Observers of the General Assembly wishing to inscribe in the list of speakers for the plenary session entitled "Member States and other Stakeholders' Announcement Plenary" are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; with copy to muturi@un.org). Statements in the Announcement Plenary should not exceed *three minutes*.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Friday, 29 April 2016*, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its seventy-first session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft Word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (e-mail fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 70/32, paras. 6 and 7, entitled "Relationship between disarmament and development", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/19-2016/D&D dated 8 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/44, para. 3, entitled "Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/15-2016/CAC dated 8 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/46, para. 16, entitled "Countering the threat posed by improvised explosive devices", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/20-2016/IED dated 8 February 2016 refers); and

Resolution 69/57, paras. 2 and 8, entitled "Effects of the use of armaments and ammunitions containing depleted uranium", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/16-2016/AADU dated 8 February 2016 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line (please *click here*), by *Friday, 29 April 2016*, the information relevant to Resolution 70/21, paras. 1 and 8, entitled "Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/17-2017/OIMM dated 8 February 2016 refers).

International Law Seminar for African Universities — Call for applications
(15-26 August 2016)

The first International Law Seminar for African Universities is scheduled to take place at the Kofi Annan Centre in Accra, Ghana, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of teachers from academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the host country, Ghana, the Kofi Annan Centre, the African Union and the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/116.

The deadline for submitting applications is *Friday, 29 April 2016*. Information concerning the seminar and the application process is available on the website of the African Institute of International Law. The seminar is subject to funding by voluntary contributions.

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For more information, please see the website of the African Institute of International Law (*click here)*; or contact the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2016:

Nineteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (21 June 2016): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fifth meeting of States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (23 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information); and

Sixteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (30 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2017 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should only be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn: Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; Room S-2905)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn. Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room DC1-213)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *May 2016*:

Introduction to United Nations documents (English and Spanish)

Treaty research

Security Council documentation

Basic research on United Nations topics

General Assembly documentation

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

In order to provide timely access, the report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been made available electronically, in an advance unedited version, and can be accessed by *clicking here*.

The report will be issued as an official document in due course, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's own report, which will be based on the Panel's important findings.

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), as well as several Parts of the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) are available in their advance versions on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 26 April 2016

Security Council

[archived video]

7677th meeting *The situation in the Central African Republic*

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in the Central African Republic (S/2016/305)

Letter dated 13 April 2016 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2016/342)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2016/378, submitted by France.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2016/378) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2016/378) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2281 (2016).

7678th meeting

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan

Report of the Secretary-General on technical assistance provided to the African Union Commission and the Transitional Government of National Unity for the implementation of chapter V of the Agreement on the Resolution of the Conflict in the Republic of South Sudan (S/2016/328)

Report of the Secretary-General on South Sudan (S/2016/341)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of South Sudan to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Hervé Ladsous, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Ladsous.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of South Sudan.

7679th meeting (closed)

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop- and police-contributing countries pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 26 April 2016, the Security Council, pursuant to annex II, sections A and B f resolution 1353 (2001), held its 7679th meeting in private with the troop- and police-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara.

"The President invited Mr. Hervé Ladsous, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

"The Security Council and the troop- and police-contributing countries heard a briefing by Mr. Ladsous.

"Members of the Council, Mr. Ladsous and representatives of participating contributing countries had an exchange of views."

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

[archived video]

92nd plenary meeting

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: third report of the General Committee (A/70/250/Add.2) [item 7]

The President drew the attention of the General Assembly to the third report of the General Committee, contained in document A/70/250/Add.2.

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of the seventieth session an additional item, entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization for Migration", as item 175 under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters).

The General Assembly also decided to consider the item directly in plenary meeting.

Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster: special commemorative meeting of the Assembly in observance of the thirtieth anniversary of the Chernobyl catastrophe [item 73 (d)]

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 68/99 of 13 December 2013, the General Assembly held its special commemorative meeting in observance of the thirtieth anniversary of the Chernobyl catastrophe.

The President made a statement.

The General Assembly decided, without setting a precedent, to invite Mr. Edmund Mullet, Under-Secretary-General and Chef de Cabinet of the Executive Office of the Secretary-General, to make a statement at the meeting.

In accordance with the decision taken, Mr. Edmund Mullet made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Belarus, Ukraine and the Russian Federation.

The General Assembly observed one minute of silent prayer or meditation for the victims of the Chernobyl catastrophe.

Statements were made by the representatives of Uganda (on behalf of the African States), the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Asia-Pacific States), Belarus (on behalf of the Eastern European States), Argentina (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States), Malta (on behalf of the Western European and other States), the United States (as host country) and Cuba.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 73.

Committee on Information

Thirty-eighth session

1st meeting

Opening of the session [item 1]

The Chair opened the session.

Adoption of agenda and programme of work [item 2]

The Committee adopted the provisional agenda and programme of work, as contained in document A/AC.198/2016/1.

Admission of new members [item 3]

Paraguay was admitted as a new member and the League of Arab States became an observer.

Statement by the Chair [item 4]

The Chair made a statement.

Statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information [item 5]

The Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information made a statement.

General debate [item 6]

Consideration of reports submitted by the Secretary-General [item 7]

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the European Union, the Dominican Republic (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)), Mexico, (on behalf of the Grupo de Amigos del Español en las Naciones Unidas (GAE)), Burkina Faso (on behalf of the Francophone Group of New York), Argentina, India, Egypt, Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Côte d'Ivoire.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Tuesday, 26 April 2016

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names
Twenty-ninth session
Bangkok, Thailand

[archived video]

3rd meeting

Special presentation: "The power of place and place names — United Nations Initiative on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM) and United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names (UNGEGN)"

The Group of Experts heard a special presentation by the Director of the Statistical Division of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs.

The Chair and the experts of the Dutch- and German-speaking Division, the Arabic Division and the Africa South Division made comments and raised questions.

Activities relating to the Working Group on Training Courses in Toponymy [item 8]

The Group of Experts heard presentations by the Convenor of the Working Group on Training Courses in Toponymy and the experts of the United States/Canada Division and the French-speaking Division, as well as by the representatives of the secretariat of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names (UNGEGN).

The Convenor and the experts of the Asia South-East Division, the United States/Canada Division, the Africa South Division, the Arabic Division, the Africa Central Division and the Pacific South-West Division, as well as the observer for the International Geographical Names Consortium, made comments and raised questions, to which the presenters of Working Papers responded.

4th meeting

Activities relating to the Working Group on Training Courses in Toponymy [item 8]

The Group of Experts continued its consideration of this agenda item and heard a statement by the Convenor.

The Convenor and the experts of the United States/Canada Division and the Africa South Division made comments and raised questions.

The Convenor summarized the discussion on this item.

Activities relating to the Working Group on Toponymic Data Files and Gazetteers [item 9]

The Group of Experts heard presentations by the Convenor of the Working Group on Toponymic Data Files and Gazetteers. Presentations were also made by the experts of the East Central and South-East Europe Division, the Norden Division, the Dutch- and German-speaking Division, the United States/Canada Division and the Asia East Division (other than China).

The Convenor and experts from the United States/Canada Division, the Arabic Division, the Romano-Hellenic Division, the Dutch- and German-speaking Division, the Africa East Division, the Baltic Division, the Africa South Division, the Pacific South-West Division, the China Division and the Asia South-East Division made comments and raised questions, to which the presenters of Working Papers responded.

The Convenor summarized the discussion on this item.

Activities relating to the Working Group on Toponymic Terminology [item 10]

The Group of Experts heard presentations by the experts of the Arabic Division, the Dutch- and German-speaking Division and the United States/Canada Division.

The Convenor of the Working Group on Toponymic Terminology and experts from the United Kingdom Division, the Asia East Division (other than China), the Dutch- and German-speaking Division and the Baltic Division made comments and raised questions, to which the presenters of Working Papers responded.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Rights of the Child. New York, 20 November 1989

Objection to the reservations made by Somalia upon ratification: Finland (26 April 2016)

Additional Protocol to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol IV, entitled Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons). Vienna, 13 October 1995

Consent to be bound: Lesotho (25 April 2016)

Amendment to Article 1 of the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. Geneva, 21 December 2001

Accession: Lesotho (25 April 2016)

Protocol on Explosive Remnants of War to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol V). Geneva, 28 November 2003

Consent to be bound: Lesotho (25 April 2016)

Paris Agreement. Paris, 12 December 2015

Signature: Gambia (26 April 2016)

Signature: Seychelles (25 April 2016)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States

Uganda
His Excellency Richard Nduhuura

Asia-Pacific States

Iran (Islamic Republic of)
His Excellency Gholamali Khoshroo

Eastern European States
Belarus
His Excellency Andrei Dapkiunas

Latin American and Caribbean States
Argentina
His Excellency Martín García Moritán

Western European and other States
Malta
His Excellency Christopher Grima

General Assembly
Seventieth session

For the online schedule of informal and formal meetings of the General Assembly for the resumed part of the seventieth session, please *click here*.

For the *list of speakers*, delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For *announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*, delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

For *future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council* pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, the election for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place *in the afternoon* on Tuesday, 14 June 2016. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council will take place on Tuesday, 28 June 2016.

The *election of the President* of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, as well as the *election of the Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees* at its seventy-first session will take place on Monday, 13 June 2016.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

Seventy-first session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/71/50.

Request for conference rooms and services at United Nations Headquarters

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For access and security-related matters, please contact Lieutenant Malinda McCormack/DSS (e-mail mccormackm@un.org, or levyd@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7028);

For nameplates, podium signs and room set-up, please contact the Preparatory Work Team/DGACM (e-mail prepwork@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7348);

For PaperSmart Portal matters, please contact the PaperSmart Team/DGACM (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7349);

For publishing material for inclusion in the *Journal*, please contact the Journal Unit/DGACM (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888; or 1 (212) 963-0493);

For media access and accreditation, please contact the Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit/DPI (e-mail malu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6934);

For broadcast TV coverage, please contact Mr. David Woodie/DPI (e-mail woodie@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9399);

For webcasting and UN Web TV, please contact Mr. Andreas Damianou/DPI (e-mail damianou@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6733);

For special events services, please contact the Special Events Unit/DM (e-mail specialevents@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 367-4245);

For audiovisual services, please contact BCSS/DM (request-for-services@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9485);

For loaning of technological equipment (PC, printer, etc.), please contact OICT/DM (e-mail itservices@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3333).

For detailed information on the policies and procedures regarding the use of conference rooms, facilities and services at the United Nations Headquarters, please refer to document ST/AI/416.

Request for the use of the General Assembly Hall

The reservation of the General Assembly Hall is now managed by the Meeting Management Section, Central Planning and Coordination Division, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management. Requests for the use of the General Assembly Hall should be addressed to Mr. Xuesong Ma, Director, Central Planning and Coordination Division (e-mail max@un.org; Room S-1232).

Documentation Services for Delegates provided by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM)

Useful *links* to United Nations documentation resources can be found at www.un.org/documents. The Official Document System (ODS) features an enhanced search page (documents.un.org) which, using keywords, facilitates considerably the search and retrieval of documents.

eSubscription for a simple and fast alternate way to access United Nations parliamentary documents electronically through the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management's eSubscription service, please *click here*.

Based on RSS feeds (Really Simple Syndication), the latest edition of the *Journal* and parliamentary documents issued daily at Headquarters can be accessed readily on a computer or hand-held smart device. Sign-up is free and easy by visiting the eSubscription page at www.undocs.org.

An overview of all documents with the options "e-mail" or "RSS" next to each document category is located there. After sign-up, documents will be sent to the subscriber via e-mail as soon as they are made available. Comments, questions and suggestions are invited to be sent to help-desk@un.org.

The *DGACM Documents Assistance Centre (DAC)* located in the North Delegates Lounge in Room CB-0264 is a central point of support for delegates seeking documentation assistance. In addition, the Delegates' Documents Counter is located adjacent to the Accessibility Centre in Room S-01B32. To contact the DAC, please call 1 (212) 963-2105; and/or e-mail dac@un.org.

Conference Officer Desks and/or Documents Counters are located in each of the following conference rooms in the Secretariat Building: Conference Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4, the General Assembly Hall, the Economic and Social Council Chamber and the Trusteeship Council Chamber, where documents for the meeting being held at that time may be obtained.

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed dpa-scsb3@un.org; Room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call 1 (212) 963-5258.

The *website of the Presidency* of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Information about previously *unscheduled meetings* and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling 1 (212) 963-5258.

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of *prepared statements* which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered.

Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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DGACM welcomes feedback, questions or comments pertaining to the information kiosks, which can be addressed to help-desk@un.org.

Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 26 April 2016

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations http://documents.un.org in the electronic version of the present Journal.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	
	Seventieth session
A/70/805–S/2016/283	Item 35 — Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development — Identical letters dated 28 March 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Georgia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*
A/70/807–S/2016/291	Item 34 (a) — Prevention of armed conflict — Letter dated 28 March 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
A/70/808	Item 70 (a) — Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and r related intolerance: elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance — Letter dated 30 March 2016 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*
	Committee on Contributions **Seventy-sixth session**
A/CN.2/R.780	Item 5 of the provisional agenda — Review of the methodology for the preparation of future scales of assessments — National accounts data and related statistics: summary tables, 2009-2014 — Note by the Statistics Division [A C E F R S] — *32 pages*
	International Law Commission **Sixty-eighth session**
A/CN.4/679/Add.1	Long-term programme of work — Possible topics for consideration taking into account the review of the list of topics established in 1996 in the light of subsequent developments — Working paper prepared by the Secretariat [A C E F R S] — *28 pages*
	Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations
A/AC.121/2016/INF/4	List of participants [E (only)] — *12 pages*

Security Council

A/70/805–S/2016/283	Identical letters dated 28 March 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Georgia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*
A/70/807–S/2016/291	Letter dated 28 March 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
S/2016/343	Identical letters dated 14 April 2016 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*
S/2016/348	Letter dated 15 April 2016 from the Panel of Experts on Liberia established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *40 pages*
S/2016/369	Letter dated 20 April 2016 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
S/Agenda/7675	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
S/Agenda/7676	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
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